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W**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/485,005
Confirmation Number	1379
Filing Date	September 11, 2000
First Named Inventor	Erich Wanker et al.
Group Art Unit	1641
Examiner Name	Gabel, Gailene

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, you may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114****a. Previously submitted**

- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on .  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
- iii. ☐ Other:

**b. Enclosed is/are:**

- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other: Return Receipt Postcard

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months) and the Fee of \$130.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- b. ☐ Other:

**3. Fees - The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.**

- a. ☒ Enclosed are checks in the amount of \$375.00 and \$465.00 which cover:
  - i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
  - ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
  - iii. ☐ Other

**4. If the filing of this RCE necessitates an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), the applicant hereby requests such extension of time.****5. If there is no check enclosed, or if the amount of the enclosed check in this RCE is incorrect, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.**

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Applicant: Erich Wanker et al.  
Serial No: 09/485,005  
Confirmation No.: 1379  
Filed: September 11, 2000  
For: NOVEL METHOD OF DETECTING AMYLOID-LIKE FIBRILS OR  
PROTEIN AGGREGATES  
Examiner: Gailene R. Gabel  
Art Unit: 1641

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AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 1, 2002. A three-month extension of time to and including April 1, 2003 is hereby requested. A check to cover the extension of time fee is enclosed. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 6, 9, 13, 20, 21, 24 and 25 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of detecting the presence of detergent- or urea-insoluble amyloid-like fibrils or protein aggregates in a sample on a filter comprising the following steps:

(a) contacting said filter with material of a sample suspected to comprise said fibrils or aggregates which has been previously treated with detergent or urea to solubilize the sample and filtering said sample to capture said detergent or urea insoluble amyloid-like fibrils or protein aggregates; and